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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH SHAMSUL HUQ, BANGLADESH

1. THE FOLLOWING REVISIONS SHOULD BE MADE IN THE BRIEFING
PAPER PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED FOR THE SECRETARY'S BILATERAL
WITH SHAMSUL HUQ, ADVISOR FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS TO THE PRESI-
DENT OF BANGLADESH. THE MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 6
AT 12:45.

2. ISSUE - REGIONAL MATTERS.

US OBJECTIVES - SECOND LINE; BEFORE IMPROVE ADD FURTHER.
ADD SECOND OBJECTIVE - TO INDICATE OUR PLEASURE WITH THE
RECENT PROGRESS MADE ON THE FARAKKA ISSUE.

ESSENTIAL FACTORS - FOURTH LINE, CHANGE TO READ, BANGLA-
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DESH'S RELATIONS WITH INDIA HAVE IMPROVED SINCE THE DESAI
GOVERNMENT CAME TO POWER IN NEW DELHI. THE PROBLEM OF
BORDER INCURSIONS FROM INDIA BY DISSIDENT BANGLADESHIS
SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN SETTLED AND AN INTERIM SETTLEMENT OF THE
PROBLEM OF DIVISION OF THE GANGES RIVER WATERS AT FARAKKA
HAS JUST BEEN INITIALED IN NEW DELHI. THE USHAS ASSIDUOUSLY
AVOIDED TAKING SIDES IN THE FARAKKA DISPUTE.

POINTS TO BE MADE:

ADD POINT TWO - WE ARE PLEASED THAT THE TWO SIDES HAVE
BEEN ABLE BILATERALLY TO REACH A INTERIM AGREEMENT ON THE
FARAKKA DISPUTE.

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